

Remarks

Claims 1-20 were pending in this application. Claims 1-10 have been canceled. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in light of the following remarks.


The Examiner has rejected claims 1-8 under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent 6,366,883 to Campbell et al. Also, claims 9, 10, 13, and 17 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Campbell. Claims 11, 12, 14-16, and 18-20 have been objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicant has rewritten claims 11, 12, 14-16, and 18-20 into independent form including the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claims 13 and 17 have been amended to depend from amended independent claim 11 and are also believed to be patentable. Applicant believes the claims now meet all formal and substantive requirements and is in appropriate condition for allowance. Such action is respectfully requested.

The Director is authorized to charge \$430.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-3978 for filing of five independent claims in excess of three. The Director is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 02-3978 for any deficiency.

Respectfully submitted,

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